SOUTH MYTON WESLEYAN SCHOOLS are to be erected in the Grecian style, near Great Thornton-street Chapel. They are to be faced with white stock bricks and stone dressings and cornice. The ground floor, an infants' school, is 41 feet by 24 feet, with two class rooms, each 11 feet square. There are also two covered play-grounds, one 27 feet by 15 feet, and the other 42 feet by 27 feet, and upwards of 700 square yards of open play-ground in addition. On the first floor the junior school is 58 feet by 27 feet; a class-room adjoining, 20 feet by 13 feet; and an industrial-room 27 feet by 14 feet. The master's-house is to be at the end of the school buildings, commanding the play-grounds and out-buildings. The entire cost will be about 2,000*l.*, about one-third Government grant. The land, value 500*l.*, was presented by Mr. Thomas Holmes, who laid the foundation-stone on Monday week. Mr. William Foale is the architect; and the contractors are Messrs. B. Musgrave, bricklayers; Steele and Darneley, joiners; R. Wilson, mason; P. Stringer, plumber; Dauber and Son, slaters; Wilson and Woodfin, ironfounders; W. Wardale, painter.

SUPPLY OF WATER TO WINDSOR CASTLE.—The expense of the "increased supply of water" to the castle is estimated at 10,000*l.*, which the Lord Chamberlain considers to be "urgently required" for the frequent cleansing of the drains, and more especially for the safety of the Castle in case of fire, the present supply being very uncertain and deficient in quantity. This "special service" will require the superintendence of an engineer, and Mr. James Simpson has been selected for the purpose. Mr. Simpson will charge a commission of 5 per cent. on the outlay, not exceeding the amount of his estimate—10,000*l.*

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Thompson	£1,590	0
Crook	1,561	0
Wood	1,360	0
Lilleystone	1,179	10
Carley	1,160	0
Cuttruss	1,273	0
Stephens	1,130	0
Pink (accepted)	1,080	0
Cobham	1,027	0

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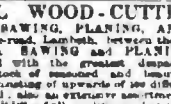
MUIR'S PATENT  PLANING MACHINE.

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